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§10:127-3.7 Reporting requirements

- (a) The director or any staff member shall notify verbally the Office of Child Abuse Control or District Office immediately whenever there is reasonable cause to believe that a child has been or is being abused or neglected by staff members, children or any other person, as required by the New Jersey Child Abuse and Neglect Law, N.J.S.A. 9:6-8.9, 8.10, 8.13 and 8.14. Copies of the law and information about it are available from the Division, upon request.
- (b) The facility shall notify the Bureau verbally of any of the following changes or events by the next working day after the facility learns of their occurrence, to be followed by written notification to the Bureau within five working days:
 - 1. Injury, accident or illness that results in the admittance of a child to a hospital;
 - 2. The death of a child while the child was on the premises of the facility or in the care of a staff member or volunteer;
 - 3. Temporary or permanent closing of the facility; and
 - 4. Any criminal conviction of a staff member, as specified in N.J.A.C. 10:127-5.1(b).
- (c) The facility shall notify the Bureau verbally of any of the following changes or events by the next working day after the facility learns of their occurrence:
 - 1. The occurrence of a reportable disease, as specified in Chapter II of the State Sanitary Code, codified at N.J.A.C. 8:57;
 - 2. Proposed relocation of the facility to a site not approved by local municipal officials and the Bureau, as specified in N.J.A.C. 10:127-4.1;
 - 3. Damage to the premises of the facility caused by fire, accident or the weather; and

- 4. Proposed use of space involving rooms not approved by the Bureau, as specified in N.J.A.C. 10:127-4.1(a)5.
- (d) The facility shall notify the Bureau in writing at least 30 calendar days before any of the following proposed changes or events:
 - 1. The anticipated closing or relocation of the facility for any reason other than temporary closings for holidays and vacations;
 - 2. A change or anticipated change of director of the facility;
 - 3. A change of type of children served; or
 - 4. A change of services offered.
- (e) The facility shall notify the Division or the appropriate District Office and the child's parents within 24 hours of any unauthorized absence of a child from the facility. For out-of-state facilities, the phone number of the Office of Child Abuse